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Renata T. Forste, assistant professor of sociology, will speak at the Devotional in the de Jong Concert Hall today at 11a.m.

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Taliban soldiers defend Kabul

Opposition preparing for heavy assault

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KHAIRKHANA PASS, Afghanistan — With opposition forces within miles of the Afghan capital, the peace that settled over the city under its 10-month-old occupation by the Taliban Islamic army has shattered.

Many of Kabul's 1 million residents are fleeing once again, clogging the rocket-pocked road to the Pakistan border with convoys of heavily laden trucks and buses.

"All night there was fighting," a small, stooped woman from Shakardara, who was wrapped in a black chador and gave her name only as Safurrah, said Monday. "I left everything behind. All I have is my children and what we could carry."

A truckload of Taliban soldiers sped past, and Safurrah quickly hid her face and turned away toward Kabul.

The Taliban controls two-thirds of Afghanistan and rules it according to a rigid interpretation of Islam that banishes women from the work place and schools and forces men into mosques to pray.

North of Kabul, the Taliban religious army has been under siege for more than a week by opposition forces led by Afghanistan's former military chief, Ahmed Shah Masood. Fighting was raging on several fronts — north in Shakardara, southwest near Maidan Shahr, 40 miles away, and in the east in the Tagab Valley, about 15 miles away.

There is no sign the Taliban is ready to comply with the opposition demand to vacate the capital. Rather, front-line soldiers say they are ready to fight on.

"The Taliban are going ahead. Yesterday, (Sunday) the opposition attacked, but they were pushed away," said the bearded Qadratullah Hazrat, fingering his Kalashnikov rifle as he spoke.

Nearby, the heavy equipment was readied.

Attempts to get beyond the final checkpoint and closer to the fighting, barely six miles away, were blocked by a gruff, long-haired Taliban commander who refused to let journalists past.

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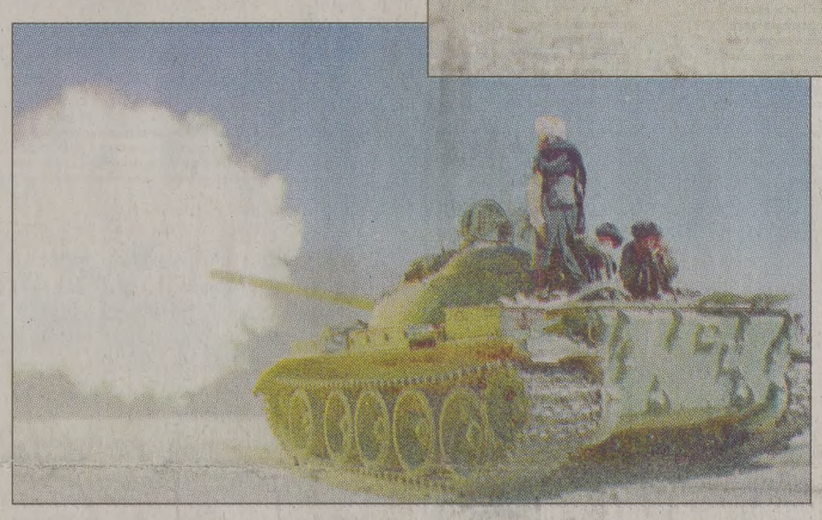


AFP photo

FORMAL DRESS REQUIREMENTS (Above): Two Afghan women pass by Taliban militia weapons dressed in traditional veils called "chador." The women in Kabul have been required to dress according to the ruling Taliban militia since September 28. The dress code is often strictly enforced by public beatings.

AFP photo

DEFENDING THEIR CAPITAL (Left): Taliban armored forces are firing on the opposition lead by Ahmed Shah Masood. The Taliban, a radical Islamic faction, has controlled two thirds of Afghanistan for the past 10 months. Opposition forces are challenging the Taliban at the capital, Kabul, causing thousands of residents to flee toward the Pakistan border for safety.

Traffic through I-15 construction slowed for safety

By LAURA PERRETT and DENISE PALMER
Universe Staff Writers

Slowing down through I-15 construction zones is no longer recommended — it is mandatory.

The Utah Department of Transportation I-15 Reconstruction Team and Wasatch Constructors announced that the speed limit through the construction zone has been reduced to 55 mph, said Dave Waters, deputy director of communications for Wasatch Construction.

Dan Fallows, section commander for Salt Lake County, said the reduced speed limit is from 11000 South to 800 North.

"It's through the entire region where construction is," Fallows said.

Cindy Privitt, media relations manager for the I-15 team, said several options were considered to get people to slow down.

"We were looking at different ways (to slow people down) because we have fewer and narrower lanes during the construction. The best one is the speed limit change," she said.

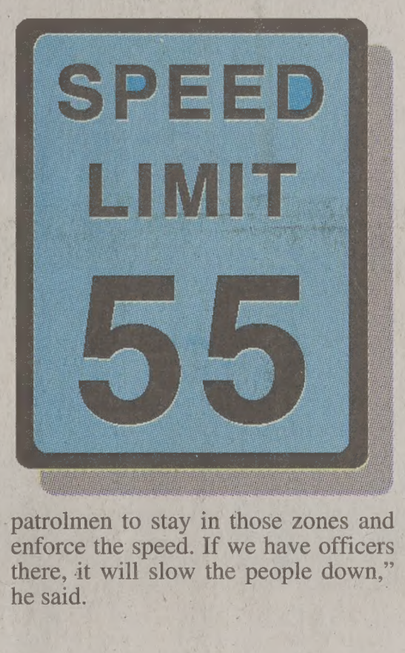
Waters and Privitt both said safety concerns are the main reason for the reduced speed limit.

"We're taking consideration for the workers' safety; sometimes they're as little as 18 inches away. This is just safer for everyone involved," Privitt said.

Utah is not the first state to have problems with people speeding through construction zones.

Florida doubled the speeding fines through construction zones last year to slow people down. Gene Hagan of the Florida Department of Transportation said there is no benefit if there is no enforcement.

"We will pay overtime to highway



patrolmen to stay in those zones and enforce the speed. If we have officers there, it will slow the people down," he said.

"It's like any kind of speeding fine — it's in the enforcement. We don't want to give people tickets, we just want to slow them down," Hagan said.

Capt. Ralph Powell, district commander of the Idaho Highway Patrol, said Idaho is using both reduced speed limits and higher fines.

Powell said there is a fixed penalty of $82.60 for anyone speeding through construction zones, almost double the usual fine. He said if a person is exceeding the speed limit by more than 20 mph, the fine jumps to $108.

"From observation, our conclusion is that it is most definitely beneficial, and it is providing the desired result. I believe the enhanced fine does have a positive effect and slows the speed down," Powell said.

Privitt said Utah has considered enforcing higher fines for construction zones.

"We did look at that during the last legislature, but it was turned down. It may be presented again during the next legislature," she said.

Fallows said the request for higher fines will be presented to the legislature again this year.

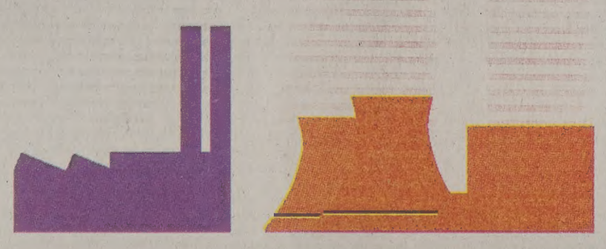
"We will be asking the legislature to increase the fines. The Department of Public Safety will be making that request," he said.

Although the legislature rejected the initial request, Fallows said the courts can impose higher fines on their own.

"They don't need the legislature to do it. They can charge up to $1,000 for speeding fines. If they wish to double fines for construction, they can do it," he said.

Fallows said the construction zones will not be patrolled any more than usual, though, and that the lower speed limit is not yet being enforced.

Nuclear power and the environment



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UAEA paper to the 1989 World Energy Conference, Montreal

. FUELS? W. Alex Gabbard, a nuclear physicist at the Oak National Laboratory, has been comparing the effects of coal stion and nuclear reactors on the environment. His findings fewer environmental problems with nuclear reactors than al combustion.

Environmental concerns over nuclear energy similar to those raised over use of coal, oil

By ASHLEY BAKER
Wire Editor

As the devastations coal and oil consumption are producing on the environment becomes more and more apparent, the search for alternative forms of energy becomes increasingly urgent. If nuclear power is the answer, why is it so bitterly opposed? And why are we just now learning about the harmful effects of coal combustion?

The data on coal combustion has been available for a long time, but no one has shown much interest. In October 1994, W. Alex Gabbard, a nuclear physicist at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory, did a little calculating. He wanted to draw attention to some of the harmful environmental effects of coal burning in the United States.

He estimated that in 1982, coal-powered plants in the United States had released roughly 11,371 pounds of Uranium-235 (the variety used in nuclear reactors) into the environment. Globally, he estimated that 51,700 pounds of Uranium-235 had been released.

"The release of nuclear components from coal combustion far exceeds the entire U.S. consumption of nuclear fuels (in power plants)," Gabbard said.

"Because of regulatory differences, coal-fired power plants are allowed to release quantities of radioactive material that would provoke enormous public outcry if such amounts were released from nuclear facilities," Gabbard said.

Gabbard's calculation was based on figures collected by the EPA 15 years ago, and environmental legislation has cleaned up the air we breathe a lot since then. But a sizeable community of scientists are saying that the current regulations are only short-term solutions.

Things like acid rain and the greenhouse effect are only going to get worse with time," said Nolan Mangelson, BYU professor of chemistry.

The nuclear power industry is struggling, in part, because people realize the tremendous destruction nuclear technology can generate.

There are other concerns that have slowed the development of nuclear technology.

Most of the current debate surrounding the use of nuclear power in Utah centers around the disposal of the fission products, or nuclear waste.

Ideally, nuclear waste is processed by first removing any usable elements and then mixing a silicate, sand for example, into the mixture. When the melted sand cools, the waste is encased in a glass-like substance. It can then be safely stored.

Last week, the state of Utah officially petitioned federal regulators to reject a plan that would bring nuclear waste to the Goshute Indian Reservation.

Private Fuel Storage, a group comprised of seven electric utilities from northern and Midwestern states, applied June 25 to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission for a license to store up to 40,000 tons of nuclear waste on land controlled by the Goshute Indians.

Gov. Mike Leavitt set up a special office to stop PFS from bringing nuclear-fuel waste to Utah. The petition, which was filed by Dianne Nielson, director of the Utah Department of Environmental Quality, stated that the PFS application leaves key question unanswered.

"The application does not include pertinent portions of subscription agreements or other legally binding commitments to give any assurance of obtaining necessary funds," according to the petition.

In a June 27 letter, Leon D. Bear, executive-committee chairman of the Skull Valley Band of Goshute Indians, responded angrily to a proposal by Rep. Merrill Cook, R-Utah, to thwart the tribe's effort to build the PFS storage facility on their reservation.

"I suggest Cook take time to learn the facts of the project in question and stop issuing slanderous, false statements. Despite our five years of intensive study on this issue, no one has been able to present one shred of scientific evidence that this facility would not be safe," Bear said.

Scott Northard, project manager for Private Fuel Storage, said the application process outlined by the federal government does not require Private Fuel Storage to provide the specifics of their agreement with the Goshute Indians because it is a private contract between "a sovereign nation and our company."

Northard said the Nuclear Regulatory Commission had reviewed the 1200 page application from PFS and found it complete enough to begin a full scale review.

As the NRC review progresses, it will establish a three-person committee comprised of one local attorney and two local scientists with experience in the field of nuclear energy. The committee will review documents provided by PFS and the NRC examine requests for public hearings and decide who has standing.

News Briefs

Compiled from staff and news service reports

Islamic insurgents killed in Algeria

ALGIERS, Algeria — Security forces have surrounded some 50 Islamic militants and killed five in a forest near Algiers, part of a nationwide anti-insurgency offensive, witnesses said Monday.

Anti-terrorist troops trapped 50 members of the Armed Islamic Group in the Maktaa Kheira forest, 24 miles west of the capital, witnesses said. They spoke on condition of anonymity.

Journalists were banned from the Maktaa Kheira forest, but a police officer near the scene, also speaking on condition of anonymity, said five insurgents had been killed there.

The weekend operation followed Thursday's reported killing of Antar Zouabri, leader of the Armed Islamic Group during a government attack that killed 130 militants.

The army was staging similar campaigns against Muslim militants in several regions throughout the country, witnesses said.

Air Force chief may retire over feud

WASHINGTON — Gen. Ronald Fogleman, the Air Force chief of staff, Monday asked to retire ahead of schedule for "a variety of reasons," including differences over responsibility for a terrorist blast last year that claimed 19 airmen's lives, Pentagon officials said.

Fogleman, the 16th Air Force chief of staff, would be the first ever to step down voluntarily before his four-year term was up if his request for retirement is accepted by Air Force Secretary Sheila Widnall.

Widnall has not yet acted on the request, officials said, speaking only on condition of anonymity.

Fogleman has served three years of his four-year term.

He told Widnall he wants to retire as soon as possible, one official said.

Fogleman informed his top staff of his decision to retire Monday morning, and that he was doing it for the good of the Air Force.

Snoring treatment uses radio waves

NEW YORK — A California company has received Food and Drug Administration approval for an anti-snoring treatment that uses radio waves to destroy tissue blocking the airway.

The procedure aims to cure snoring and a more serious ailment, sleep apnea, a recurrent halting of breath that can wake sufferers repeatedly and, in rare instances, suffocate them.

Forty million Americans suffer from habitual snoring, the National Commission on Sleep Disorders Research reported in 1994. Seven million to 18 million Americans are thought to have sleep apnea.

The technology, developed by Somnus Medical Technologies of Sunnyvale, Calif., works at relatively low temperatures and leaves outer tissue intact.

A radio frequency generator connected to a needle penetrates the tongue, throat or soft palette and destroys a small portion of inner tissue by generating a heat of 158 to 176 degrees. The outpatient procedure takes about a half-hour.

German soldiers patch river dike

FRANKFURT AN DER ODER, Germany — Soldiers worked feverishly Monday to patch another tear in a saturated earthen dike protecting some 20 German villages from the swollen Oder River.

Despite constant sandbagging, a section of the 100-mile-long dike protecting the low-lying Oderbruch Region gave way Monday, three days after it was last repaired.

Officials said villages in the region, north of the border city Frankfurt an der Oder and about 30 miles northeast of Berlin, were not in immediate danger.

About 5,000 people were evacuated from the Oderbruch Region last week and 9,000 more have been told to be ready to go at a moment's notice.

The north-flowing Oder, which forms a natural border between Poland and Germany, started flooding this month.

About 100 people were killed in Poland and Czech Republic, but so far there have been no deaths in Germany.

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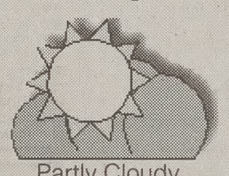
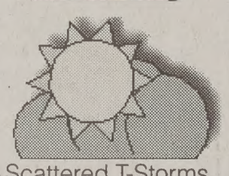
High	70° as of		
Low	63° 5 p.m.	Partly Cloudy	Scattered T-Storms
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Season	18.87"		

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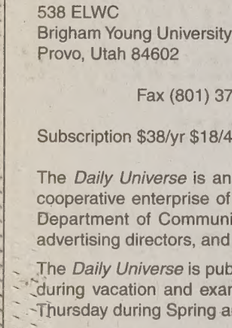
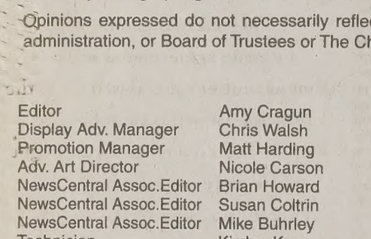


"But Ammon said unto him: I do not boast in my own strength, nor in my own wisdom; but behold, my joy is full, yea, my heart is brim with joy, and I will rejoice in my God. Yea, I know that I am nothing; as to my strength I am weak; therefore I will not boast of myself, but I will boast of my God, for in his strength I can do all things; yea, behold, many mighty miracles we have wrought in this land, for which we will praise his name forever"

— Alma 26: 11-12



This is Devon Jarvis' favorite scripture because "it reminds me that I can do nothing without the Lord, but with his help I can do anything." Jarvis is a sophomore from Springfield, Miss., majoring in zoology.

LDS Church prepares for grow

TIME reports tithing revenue

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is the most prosperous of American religions and is preparing to focus that considerable wealth on an unprecedented campaign of international expansion, according to a cover story in TIME magazine on newsstands this week.

TIME correspondents claimed "unusual cooperation" from the hierarchy of The LDS Church in researching the article, which gives what may be the most accurate financial snapshot of the church to date: a minimum of $30 billion in assets and annual gross income of $6 billion.

According to the article "Mormons Inc.: The Secret of America's Most Prosperous Religion," The LDS Church last year brought in $5.2 billion in tithes from its roughly 10 million members, who are asked to give 10 percent of their annual income.

If The LDS Church were a corporation, that yearly revenue would "place it midway through the Fortune 500, a little below Union Carbide and the Paine Webber Group, but bigger than Nike and the Gap.

"And as long as corporate rankings are being bandied about, the church would make any list of the most admired: for straight dealing, company spirit, contributions to charity (even the non-LDS kind) and a fiscal probity among its powerful leaders that would satisfy any shareholder group, if there were one," the magazine said.

All of this, according to the magazine, is in preparation for a major expansion outside of North America. Church membership this year reached a watershed in that there are more members of The LDS Church living abroad than in the United States for the first time. The church is positioning itself to push that expansion to the next level which, according to one author cited in the story, could create a membership of 260 million in 83 years.

The church, the seventh largest in the United States, is growing at a rate of 4.7 percent domestically and nearly double that abroad.

To accommodate that growth, The LDS Church is ready to spend billions of dollars overseas to erect 350 meeting houses and add 15 more temples to its existing 50, the magazine said.

The story goes on to detail just a few of the church's expansive holdings, including the world's largest beef ranch — the 312,000-acre Deseret Cattle and Citrus Ranch outside Orlando, Fla. The ranch's land alone is worth $858 million.

The church also owns America's largest producer of nuts, as well as Bonneville International Corp., the country's 14th largest radio chain, and the Beneficial Life Insurance Co., with assets of $1.6 billion.

TIME lists The LDS church's assets as $12 billion in U.S. meeting houses and temples; $5 billion in meeting houses and temples in foreign countries; $6 billion in unspecified investments; $5 billion in ranch and farm real estate and $1 billion in "schools, etc."

Of its $5.9 billion annual income, the vast majority — $5.3 billion — comes from tithing. Of that, $4.9 billion comes from church members living in the United States.

"There is no major church in the U.S. as active as the Latter-day Saints in economic life, nor, per capita, as successful at it," the story says.

The success is attributed by TIME to a series of differences between the operation of The LDS Church and other faiths. Almost all on donations, but few of its members.

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"Our whole objective i men good and good Hinckley told TIME.

Weekend Happenings

Compiled from staff and news service reports

— HARARE, Zimbabwe — The United States will help Africa build a better transport system to promote development and improve U.S. trade opportunities with the continent, the U.S. transportation secretary said Friday.

Addressing the final day of a summit for 2,000 African Americans and African political and business leaders, Transportation Secretary Rodney Slater called Africa "a continent full of wonderful opportunities and stubborn problems."

"We all have a responsibility to continue to work for peace and stability in Africa," he said. "We also have a responsibility to praise the good, to seek it out and celebrate the successes.

"We must encourage and facilitate the winds of democratic and commercial reform that are sweeping Africa, giving the people here new rights, new hopes and new opportunities," Slater said.

Slater is co-head, with Jesse Jackson, of the official U.S. delegation. He also is serving as advance man for an expected trip to Africa by President Clinton early next year.

— JIDDAH, Saudi Arabia — Three men from Chad were beheaded Friday for drug smuggling, bringing the number of people executed in Saudi Arabia this year to 71.

Nearly half of the executions, 34, have been for drug smuggling.

The three North African men were found guilty of smuggling heroin and cocaine into Saudi Arabia, an Interior Ministry statement said.

— BELFAST, Northern Ireland — A day after the Irish Republican Army's cease-fire began, attention turned to the tricky task of getting pro-British Protestant leaders to talk peace with the IRA's political allies.

David Trimble, the leader of Northern Ireland's main Protestant party, was to meet in London Friday with Prime Minister Tony Blair to demand specifics on when the IRA will start to disarm.

Without such a plan, Trimble's Ulster Unionist Party could be torn apart and may stay away from the negotiating table altogether.

Addressing details, however, doomed the last IRA cease-fire, something Blair knows full well.

Trimble's party represents the biggest chunk of Protestant majority opinion and without it there is little hope that talks can produce a lasting end to sectarian strife that has left 3,400 people dead in nearly three decades of bombings, shootings and riots.

Sunday's IRA cease-fire cleared the way for its political wing Sinn Fein to participate in peace talks, which are scheduled to resume in September after 13 fruitless months.

The last IRA truce — of Sept. 1, 1994 — collapsed after 17 months because Protestant leaders refused to meet Sinn Fein negotiators until the IRA started disarming. The condition was rejected by Sinn Fein and the IRA.

— KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia — Secretary of State Madeleine Albright urged Southeast Asian nations Friday to attack the region's pervasive narcotics trade by refusing to deal with drug-tainted Burmese businesses.

"Narcotics production has grown in Burma year after year, defying every international effort to solve the problem," Albright said in a statement at a post-ministerial conference of nations with a stake in Asia.

"As a result, drug traffickers who once spent their days leading mule trains down jungle tracks are now leading lights in Burma's new market economy and leading figures in its new political order," Albrig

Burmese Foreign Mi Gyaw responded with a p on what his country is d the drug trade, but a Euro official, speaking on c anonymity, said he and skeptical.

In the closed meeting, A urged Southeast Asian nat eralize trade in financial se as banking and insurance.

Malaysian Prime Minist Mohammed, in turn, cor day-long rampage again speculators he blames for currency plunges across according to officials at th

DRUGS ABLAZE: Burmese authorities destroyed some grams (1,694 pounds), of opium and 430 kilograms (946 p heroin. The pile of drugs was set ablaze January 30, 1997 drug destruction ceremony in Rangoon, Burma.

Justice Brennan died at 91 Friday

By SHILOH ROAN
Universe Staff Writer

Retired Supreme Court Justice William J. Brennan, considered one of the court's most influential jurists in American history, died Friday at age 91.

Brennan was appointed to the Supreme Court by President Dwight D. Eisenhower and served 34 years before he retired because of bad health. His appointment had spanned eight presidents, when in 1990, at age 84, Brennan stepped down.

A staunch liberal, Brennan was considered by some to be the strongest supporter of individual rights. He was the architect of the 1972 landmark decision Roe v. Wade, which gave women the right to have abortions.

Brennan not only championed women's rights, but also preserved the rights for the imprisoned, the poor and the mentally ill. He defined obscenity and opposed censorship.

Speaking of censorship, the justice once said, "Public educators must accommodate some student expression even if it offends them or offers views of values that contradict those the school wishes to inculcate."

Brennan also opposed capital punishment in all cases."If the deliberate extinguishment of human life has any effect at all, it more likely tends to lower our respect for life and brutalize our values," he once said.

As a Supreme Court Justice, Brennan played a key role in decisions that banned organized school prayer and scripture study and required busing to racially desegregated schools.

When asked if he had ever made a mistake as the president, the conservative Republican Eisenhower said, "Yes, two, and they are both sitting on the Supreme Court."

Eisenhower was referring to Brennan and Justice Earl Warren, whom he appointed.

In 1990, Brennan was replaced by David Souter. Appointed by President George Bush, Souter, a friend of has emerged as a moderate.

Brennan was born on April 25, 1906, in Newark, N.J., the second of eight children born to an Irish immigrant laborer.

He was a good high school student and studied at the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce, University of Pennsylvania. He graduated from Harvard Law School in 1931.

According to The Associated Press, one of Brennan's professors, Felix Frankfurter, who later served on the Supreme Court with Brennan, once told his friend, "I always wanted my students to think for themselves, but Brennan goes too far."

Before being appointed as a Supreme Court Justice, Brennan, was working his way up the New Jersey Supreme Court system as a lawyer.

Brennan's wife of 54 years died in 1982. He is survived by his three children, William J. III, Hugh and Nancy, and seven grandchildren.

Police use chemical g arrest shooting suspe

By DEREK FAY
Universe Staff Writer

Three suspects were arrested early Saturday morning for shooting at a security guard of a local dance club and then barricading themselves in a house, forcing police to use pepper gas to flush them out.

The suspects, three Hispanic males, allegedly fired shots with a .22-caliber rifle at a security guard at Club Omni with whom they had an altercation earlier.

"When the suspects were asked (by the security guard) to leave, there was an attitude displayed. They left and came back later," said Lt. Greg Duvall of the Provo City Police Department.

Police were able to locate the vehicle the suspects were driving by using the license plate number the security guard had written down. They found the vehicle at a residence located at 345 S. 400 West in Provo, where the suspects were sleeping, Duvall said.

Police dispatch placed a call to the residence to ask the suspects to come out and talk to officers according to a release from the Provo Police Department.

"At first there was a conversation, and then they refused to answer the phone anymore," Duvall said.

The suspects then refused to respond to any attempt to contact them by telephone or megaphone.

The Provo Police Response Team was calle residence and used a chemi called OC to flush out the s

After the chemicals were suspects immediately ex house and were taken into without resistance.

"They were somewhat o by the effects of the c agents," Duvall said.

Charges are pending upon come of the investigation.

Cliff Snow, a part-owner Omni, said security guar allow people to loiter in the lot after hours because it trouble.

"This is a first for us," Sn "We usually make them lea isn't a problem."

Gun shells were found club but there were no bull or any other damage to th Snow said.

"We called the police a handled it well," Snow said.

Duvall felt the incident w dled in the best possible wa Special Response Team con the volatility of the situation

"I think it was one of th reasonable methods they co used," Duvall said. "Eve worked the way it was supp work."

The club will continue to the no loitering policy in th ing lot, Snow said.

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"People are angry and they may say something against us," he said, refusing to give his name.

In the past week, opposition forces have punched through successive Taliban defense lines north of Kabul, taking strategic cities and the Baghram air base until finally reaching within rocket range of the capital.

Taliban soldiers say their retreat has been a tactical one. It's not clear what the strategy of either side in the conflict might be.

Despite threats of an all-out attack on Kabul, the opposition has only occasionally rocketed the airport, bombed the city once and the outskirts several times.

"Earlier there were lots of refugees coming through but in the past three days it has decreased," said Shamsul Haq, a United Nations worker counting refugees into the city from the northern front line.

He didn't have exact figures but since the fighting began, thousands have fled to Kabul. The United Nations estimates at least 200,000 refugees have come to Kabul since the start of the year and as many as 10,000 since the fighting.

According to residents and Amnesty International, the Taliban army has arrested hundreds in the city in recent days, all of them from minority ethnic groups.

Everything from wearing high heels to talking publicly w bers of the opposite sex is transgression, punishable b spot beatings.

The Taliban seized K September, after four years rival factions blasted the cit ing entire sectors of the city ble.

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BYU Risk Management and the Provo Fire Department took in special equipment to determine what the gas was and where it came from. Larry Green, a member of the Provo Fire Department, said the gas was gone by the time they arrived.

"We investigated and tried to locate what it was, and we couldn't find anything. It had dissipated by the time we got in there. We couldn't find the source or anything," he said.

"There can only be speculations now. We can't be sure of what caused it. With the construction going on and all the people going back and forth, it could have been anything. Since we couldn't find anything, we can't say what it was," Green said.

Harker said there were several attempts to find the cause of the mysterious gas.

"Provo Fire (Department) and Risk Management went into the building with equipment to test the air and found nothing — no traces of any gas. They sent a second team in, and a third team. After the third search they opened the building again," he said.

"It was clear the gas did not originate inside the building with the construction or anything like that. It appears it was introduced from outside the building," he said.

Green said their equipment for hazardous materials didn't detect anything in the air.

"We did use some equipment (for hazardous materials). We had four people go in initially to check it out. They went in with equipment 'sniffers,' which can detect different things in the air," he said. "They were unable to find anything. When they came out, four others from the department, and others from BYU, went in for a more detailed search and nothing was found."

Green said after they didn't detect anything during the third search they decided to let people re-enter the building.

"We went through and checked the area and made sure there were no more hazardous fumes in the air. Once we were sure that the building was clear of anything hazardous, we let people back in," he said.

Green said they never determined what the mysterious gas was.

"We could never get a clear description of it. It was described as several different things," he said.

"Ten people were transported, six to Utah Valley Regional Medical Center and four to the BYU Health Center. Most were treated and released fairly quickly," he said.

Harker reported that the last patient receiving oxygen treatment left the hospital around 3 p.m.

He said there have been no additional problems since people re-entered the building.

BYU Risk Management was unavailable for comment.

University of Utah holds conference on campus safety for U.S. universities

By TRENT WELLS
Universe Staff Writer

Campus Safety, Health and Environmental Management talked about solutions to safety problems in its annual meeting last week at the University of Utah.

"The purpose of the conference is to talk about what happened last year, have workshops on safety, talk about lab safety and so forth," said Doug Walters, safety trainer in the Risk Management and Safety Office at BYU.

The safety conference gives universities a chance to explain programs they've implemented and lecture on problems and successes they've had. The annual meeting attracted about 200 professors and safety trainers from universities around the nation.

Among those professors was Barbara Hinshaw, a professor of chemistry and biochemistry at BYU.

"The conference gives you the opportunity to talk to other universities and discuss solutions to their problems and yours," Hinshaw said.

According to Hinshaw, BYU has an exceptionally clean track record for safety.

"Most problems arise when students fail to follow safety procedures, like not wearing lab goggles," she said.

Hinshaw, who is also the student and faculty safety officer, is responsible for training both students and faculty in chemical safety procedures. At the beginning of every Fall Semester and Winter Semester, she holds training orientations for students who will be lab assistants. Along with this safety precaution, all students who major in chemistry must take Chemistry 501, a class on chemical safety, Hinshaw said.

The CSHEMA safety conference helps universities like BYU keep their chemistry labs safe.

"It gives you the chance to listen to papers, network with other people and other professors from different universities, get ideas, find solutions to problems and help others to solve problems," Hinshaw said.

The conference wasn't just for chemistry professors however; it deals with any type of safety problems that you can find on campus, Walters said. For example, professors from Yale University and Stanford University both gave lectures on programs for waste management.

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'S BETTER THAN WALKING: Jessica akes a group of BYU students, including Bert Mills in the passenger seat, on a tour of campus. South is one of six guides who is often seen driving the electric carts around campus. Tours last anywhere from 35 to 50 minutes.

Devotional speaker to talk on 'finding your mission in life'

By MELISSA ROBERTSON
Universe Staff Writer

Assistant Professor Renata T. Forste will speak on "finding your mission in life" at the Devotional Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the de Jong Concert Hall.

Forste said when making decisions it is important to not limit ourselves based on our preconceived notions, and to allow the Lord to direct us.

"As people grow up in a certain environment, they assume certain rules, so they don't consider other options and look beyond biases," she said.

Forste said in the past most women, for example, did not graduate from college.

They married and then stayed home with the children and expected their husbands to provide for them. Changing economic conditions have affected families and forced most women to plan for work and careers.

"A lot of women students struggle trying to make decisions about work and families and missions and school," she said.

But making these decisions is a problem that most students struggle with.

"There are so many choices, and people struggle. It's a matter of finding the right and of doing right," she said.

Forste said it is important to allow the Lord to work in our lives.

"We need to be careful to not tell the Lord what we will or won't do," she said.

"We need to try to be open and flexible, and allow the Spirit to direct us."

Forste spoke about a female student in her statistics class. The student felt she could not do statistics. Until she realized she could do the problems, the student struggled with the class. But when she realized this was where the Lord wanted her to be, and allowed herself to trust in the Lord, she excelled.

The hardest part of listening to the Lord is accepting that the Lord's timetable is not our own, Forste said.

But the Lord will help overcome stereotypes and preconceived notions if we are humble and recognize the Lord's hand in things.

Forste received both her bachelor's and master's degrees from BYU and her doctoral degree from the University of Chicago.

She received the Child Health and Human Development National Research Service Award at the University of Chicago.

mpus tours offer more than just a free ride

By BERT MILLS
Universe Staff Writer

those electric carts around ooks like a lot of fun, but the who work for BYU Public nd Guest Relations say it's ponsibility.

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dents host and often assist in ing presidential guests. Some guests who have passed the Visitor's Center include s of countries, consul gener- first lady of Brazil and the Thailand, Clark said. people come to see BYU they want to know what it is all about, Clark said. They hear about the welfare system of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and the Ezra Taft Benson Agriculture and Food Institute, and they want to know more about the programs.

"We solidify relations," Clark said.

An estimated 130,000 people go through the Visitor's Center and the information desk on campus each year, which keeps the department busy.

"Many days, the six (guides) are not enough. They go nonstop," Clark said.

Despite a busy work schedule, the department has a low turnover of employees, and the tour guides seem to enjoy what they do.

"I've been here for six months and I really like it," said Rachel Lambert, a student hostess.

The department was first started in 1976 during the U.S. bicentennial celebration to accommodate the increase of visitors that year. It originally used volunteers, but then one guide was added to the staff. Now six are employed to host visitors.

"This thing has mushroomed so that the Visitor's Center is a necessity," Clark said.

There is a concern for the people who come on Saturdays who are traveling through the city and decide to stop.

"We have such a high number on the weekends; we can't accommodate them with our hours," Clark said.

Many visitors come to BYU for the first time, and most are from outside of Utah.

The dignitaries, in particular, hear about the school's reputation, the student body and physical environment which transcend many U.S. universities, Clark said. He said they especially look at the quality and caliber of the students.

Many visitors take advantage of the tour, which is offered as a daily service. Anyone can go, and it offers a lot of information about campus.

"The tour tells the visitors about the people who have a building named after them, things most students don't know," Lambert said.

The tour doesn't cover all of campus, however, because there isn't enough time, Lambert said. The tour can last anywhere from 35 to 50 minutes depending on the questions people have.

"It is an opportunity to share who we are. The tour is to inform and educate people about the church and BYU," Clark said.

It is not a missionary tool, he said, but rather educates people about what the school does and what it represents.

"I view BYU as one of the finest exhibits the church has," Clark said.

Clark has also visited other campuses to talk about visitor centers, and to help them initiate their own programs.

"We find we are really ahead of the game," Clark said.

The tour does a complete circle beginning at the Visitor's Center. Tours run on the hour starting at 9 a.m. and the department has different sizes of carts, depending on the number of people who go.

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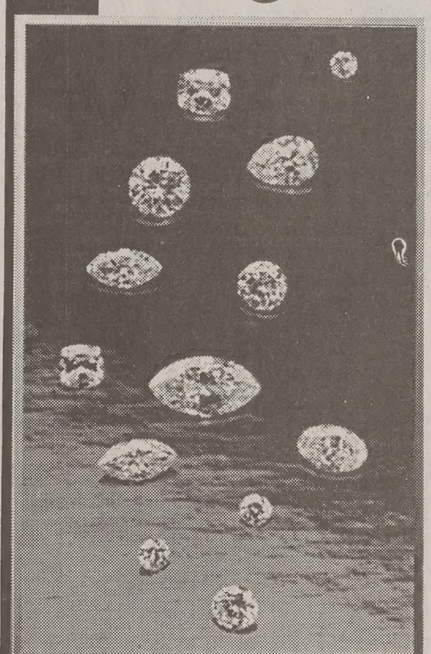

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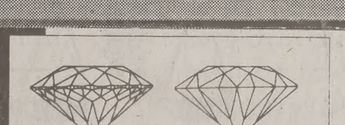

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Versace: From tailor to fashion mogul

By LISA MARIE MEYER
Universe Staff Writer

After the death of Gianni Versace, the media has focused on the murder case which caught the attention of the nation.

However; unless you're a fashion expert, Versace's life was relatively unknown.

Born in 1946 in Reggio Calabria, Italy, Versace formulated his fashion expertise at a young age. His mother was a dressmaker and ran a boutique; this early association piqued his interest in the industry.

His family also included a brother and sister, Santo and Donatella, and his father who was an appliance salesman.

He was very close to his family, especially to Donatella.

Time Magazine stated, "The two were inseparable as kids — and as grownups, sometimes speaking on the phone a dozen times a day or more."

According to the Made-in-Italy homepage (www.made-in-italy.com), Versace worked at his mom's boutique at 18.

Versace traveled to London and Paris on pattern-buying trips where he learned the trade of dressmaking and design.

In 1967 at 25, Versace decided to move to Milan and worked as a fashion designer.

The reason for the move was explained on Versace's Internet site, stating "Milan had become the fashion capital and was the logical location for the emerging ready-to-wear industry."

Versace's "instant" clothes were very successful, and his reputation from the line launched an exciting career.

Versace became one of the few major labels in control of the entire fashion product cycle, from design to retailing, according to his homepage (www.moda.iol.it/stilisti/versace/Home.htm).

A personal connection to his clothing also affected his designs. The Made-In-Italy homepage said Versace considered himself a tailor rather than a designer.

He could cut and sew, and he personally tried on his men's collections while Donatella would try on the women's line.

Versace had a knack for understanding the business. In the Washington Post, an article stated "Versace understood the importance of marketing. He loved celebrities and knew that they not only attracted the attention of the press, but they also helped to set trends."

According to ABC NEWS.com, "The slaying of Gianni Versace sent chills around the world, touching the rich and famous and regular folk alike."

"Celebrities (that were) dressed by Versace included Madonna, Elton John, Courtney Love, Demi Moore, Boy George, Elizabeth Hurley and Princess Diana, as well as almost every super model."

Naomi Campbell was one of the many who considered Versace a friend.

"His gift for friendship and loyalty was equally profound. In 11 years Gianni never did a show without me," she said in an ABC news release.

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ON THE CATWALK: Fashion designer Gianni Versace poses with supermodel Naomi Campbell during the presentation of his Autumn/Winter 96-97 High Fashion collection in Paris. Versace was shot and killed in front of his house in Miami July 15.

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By BRADLEY S. RIC
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"First to remember my a what they did and the fac done much more and (secc to honor them and glorify fice," McClellan said.

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"It was neat to see marathon) drew everyon and how everyone was s lift and help each other way," McClellan said.

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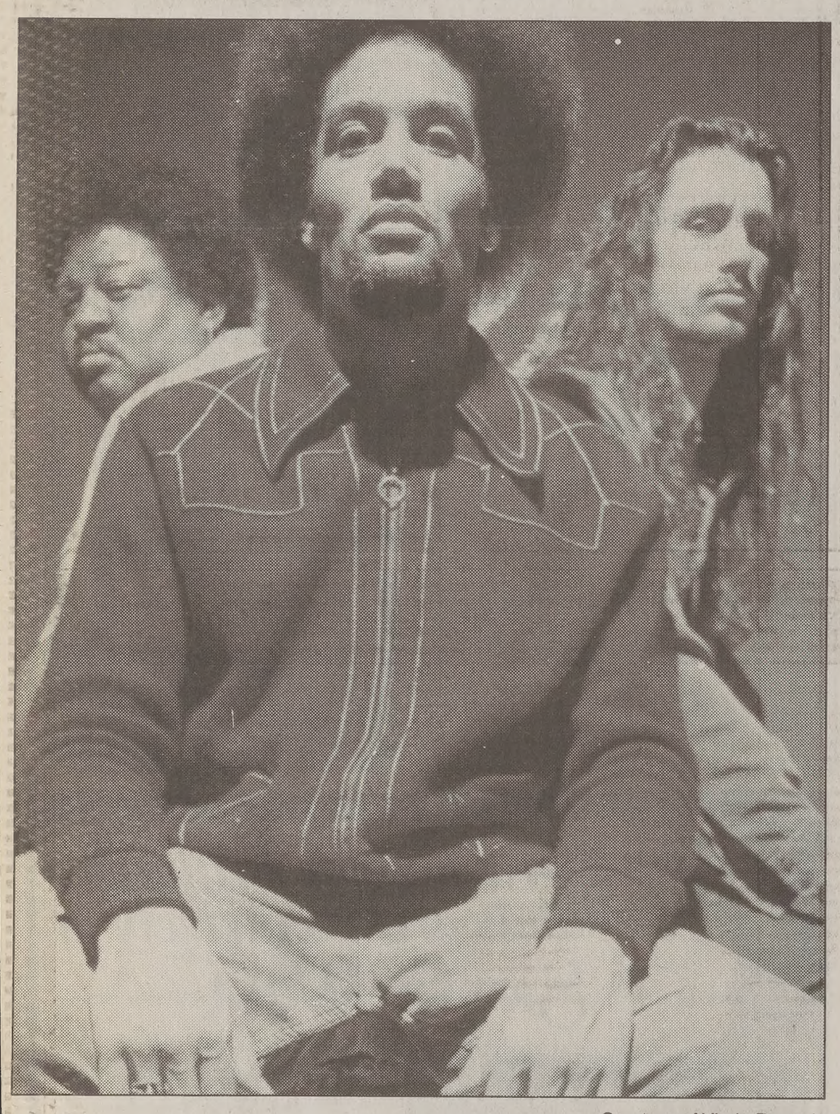
Folk singer rocks sold out crowd in SLC



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BEN HARPER AND THE INNOCENT CRIMINALS: Harper, center, is featured here with bass guitar player, Juan Nelson, left, and drummer Dean Butterworth.

Ben Harper's album a sensational mix of traditional folk, rock, funk, soul

By CHRIS PETERSON
Universe Staff Writer

Ben Harper's newest and third album "The Will To Live" combines Harper's traditional folk style with a blend of rock, funk and soul.

Harper recently played to a sold-out crowd in Salt Lake City in support of the release of his latest album. Not surprisingly, Harper received a positive response from fans during the two and a half hour set.

"It's positive music, so it brings about a positive response," Harper said in a recent news release.

"The Will To Live," a Virgin Records release, is a new step for Harper. Although the album contains the mellow, folk sounds that gained him popularity with his debut album, "Welcome To The Cruel World," "The Will To Live" explores a more punchy and electrifying side of Harper.

"It's the next step. It's like crawling to walking to running to flying," Harper said. "I can't keep making albums like 'Welcome To The Cruel World.' I could, but I would never want to, because that's the challenge of making the records I make. They are not in one particular rhythm."

Harper said his strongest influences in music include Jimi Hendrix, Rob Johnson and Bob Marley.

"Jah Work," the fifth track on "The Will To Live," has a classic reggae sound that Harper picked up from his Marley listening days.

The first track, "Faded," leans more towards an intense, Hendrix-flavored soulful blues tune.

It even shares a similarity to several songs off Lenny Kravitz's "Are You Gonna Go My Way" album. It's definitely a sound fans aren't used to hearing from Harper.

The thick, pulsating guitar riff that pushes "Faded" forward is actually played on an acoustic bottleneck slide fed through a distortion pedal.

Harper explains that he tries to remain close to his roots no matter what style he is playing. "The bottom line is that you really can't lose the firm grasp on the root of what it is you're doing, you can't lose grasp of the roots of where your music comes from," Harper said.

"If you stay close to the root then you really won't lose the feeling and the spirit of where your songs come from to begin with."

Harper's roots sprouted at a young age. His parents owned a museum which housed a large variety of musical instruments from different countries, giving Harper a strong affinity for music.

He first started out on an acoustic, but soon picked up a Weissenborn guitar, which has become his signature. The Weissenborn is an unusual guitar. Made in the late 1920s, the guitar has a hollow neck, no frets and is played across the lap like a lapslide.

"Every time I pick it up it sings something new," Harper said.

Harper said that no matter what style of music he plays, whether it is harder rock songs or acoustic ballads, the Weissenborn is his root.

The music on "The Will To Live" (and all of Harper's albums) contains a message.

Not only is Harper a talented guitarist, but he is also a poet and philosopher. His songs include his vision and thoughts on life. The title track on "The Will To Live" displays Harper's thoughts on survival.

"Then I met a man who had to walk with his hands, born into a world he couldn't stand, blessed with the life, but cursed as a man, still he walks taller than most of us can," Harper writes. "We must all have the will to live."

Harper has never been a media darling. The fact is, not many people know about him. His breathy, warm vocals don't make it to the airwaves that often.

Harper's love is touring. He lives for the music. At his show in Salt Lake City, a Virgin Records representative said Harper lives on the road.

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Stockton catches fire to take Franklin

By ERIK R. RASMUSSEN
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"He owns the course," "did you see him on the back nine?" and similar comments peppered conversations this past weekend at the Senior PGA Franklin Quest Championship.

The subject of the conversations was Dave Stockton.

Stockton got off to a fair start Friday in the first round of the 54 hole tournament, checking into the clubhouse with a three under par, two strokes off the lead. But Saturday Stockton caught fire, shooting an eight under par 64, recording the best second round score in tournament history and moving into a three stroke lead at 11 under par.

"Obviously, I played very well," Stockton said. "I've got some work to do with my long irons, but the driving, putting and short irons felt good. And my mental game is good, which is key."

"Playing at this elevation does some funny things to the ball, but I've played enough mountain ball to account for it."

— Dave Stockton, Franklin Quest Champion

Stockton's success on the par fives rocketed him to the victory. In the second and third rounds he birdied or eagled every par five on the course.

Sunday, Stockton started slowly, he parred the first three holes, and bogeyed the forth. But he roared back with an eagle on the par five, fifth hole, then birdied the eighth.

Stockton's final round took over seven hours to complete due to two rain delays. But after the second delay he tore out of the clubhouse to birdie the 15th, 16th, and 17th just as he did Saturday and roll to a two stroke victory at 15 under par.

"Playing at this elevation does some funny things to the ball," Stockton said of Park City's Park Meadows course. "But I've played enough mountain golf to account for it." Stockton was a pro at a course in Keystone, Colo. earlier in his career where he learned to golf at a high altitude.

"I like this golf course, and I enjoy this area, the course is in good condition," Stockton added. Park Meadows is currently a public course, but is going private later in the year.

Stockton was not the only story at the tournament, this was BYU graduate Johnny Miller's first full tournament on the Senior PGA tour. Miller's presence, and golf's surging popularity brought fans out in droves. "I bet the galleries were twice or four times bigger than I've ever seen here," Stockton said.

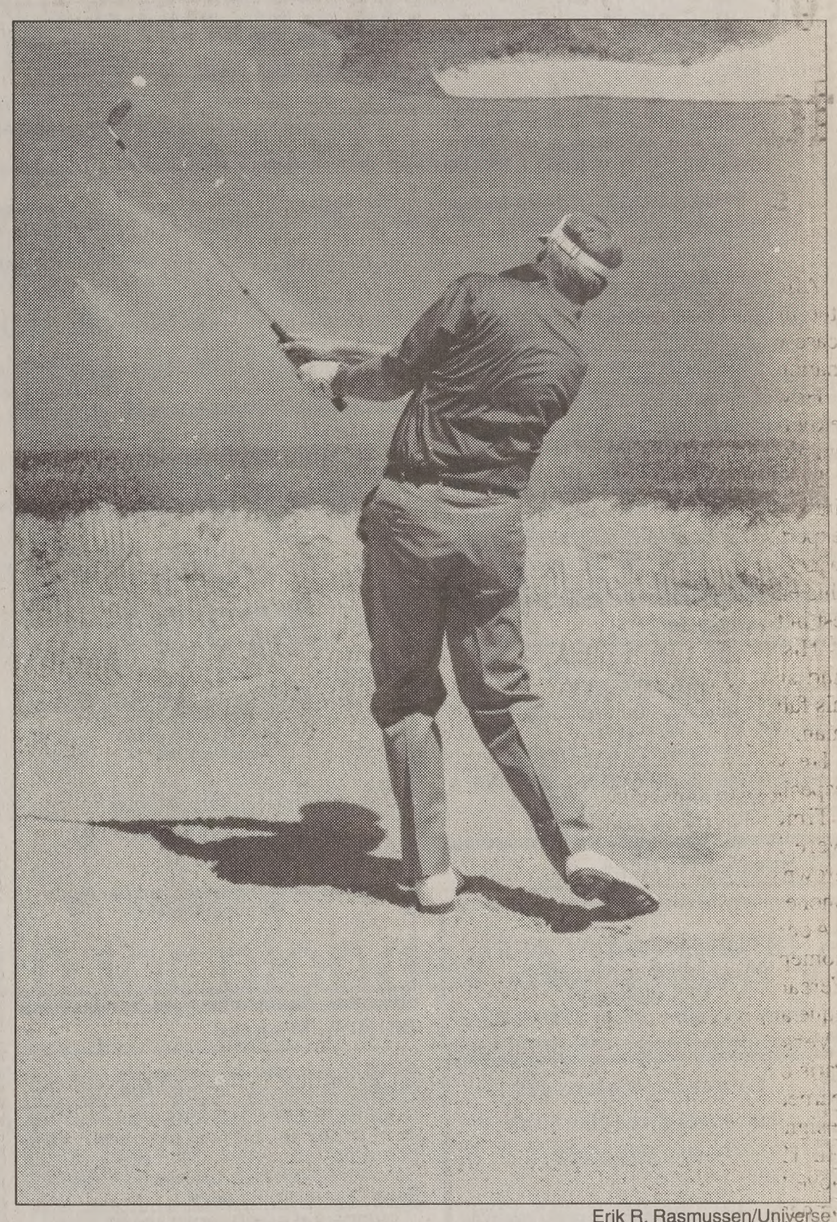
Miller shot one under par in the tournament, and carted around one of the biggest followings at the tournament, his gallery numbering in the hundreds all weekend.

"The crowd was really positive," Stockton said. "And I felt pretty good out there."

Big name players are what make the senior tour successful. Arnold Palmer, Lee Trevino, and Jim Dent were among the famous players participating in the tournament. The senior rookie, Miller, was the topic of many player conversations.

"It's important for guys like Johnny Miller to play," tour pro Don January said. "I still think this tour is built on name recognition."

The tournament purse was one million dollars. Miller plans to donate half of his prize money to Utah Junior Golf, and half to Northern California Junior Golf. Miller lived in Utah from 1981-88, then moved to California.



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BUNKERED: Johnny Miller hits his way out of trouble at the Franklin Quest Golf Championships. Miller finished a respectable two under par in his first tournament on the Senior PGA Tour.

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nost goal is to get adjustzz first round draft pick ughn after the game. tly why teams send their e camp.

embers of the Jazz team eg Ostertag, two years zz, Shandon Anderson, with the Jazz, Jacque te Erdmann, Jazz second pick, and Bryon Ruffner, U standout. All played minutes Saturday.

or the Jazz, who did not d once all game, the purse games is to learn and hey lost 85-73. But there spots in the losing effort. , who signed a two year rlier this month, poured in 28 points in 40 minutes of play.

"It never feels good to lose," Anderson said after the game. "But I felt good, tense at the beginning, but I want to do well."

Ostertag, who scored only four points on 1-for-7 shooting with three blocks and 10 rebounds in 27 minutes, laughed about Anderson's performance eclipsing his own. "I didn't do nothin'," Ostertag joked. "Talk to this guy," he said pointing to Anderson.

"I'm still coming along as a leader," Anderson said. "The team needs to get a feel for each other."

Vaughn was the other impressive point in the Jazz losing effort. He played 28 minutes and ran the offense well. He shot 0-for-1, 7-for-8 on freethrows, had two rebounds and two assists. What cannot be reflected in numbers is Vaughn's court presence. He drove well when called for, passed crisply, played good defense, and was respected by defenders on the offensive end.

"I definitely have to make some adjustments of defense, but I've got a good attitude," Vaughn said of his efforts. "There were some opportunities to shoot and I didn't; I should keep the defense honest and shoot, but that's why I'm here in summer league, to learn."

Bryon Ruffner left BYU amidst scandal last fall, but the Jazz camp is an opportunity to show off his talent to the league. Ruffner lead the team in shooting percentage with 50% accuracy, scoring five points, with one rebound and one assist.

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zz come out flat against Cleveland

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ning off of a big win New York Liberty on -71), the Utah Starzz fell veland Rockers, 66-77, ernoon.

t sluggish in the first half, were down 30-49 going e. Shots were not falling looked as if they had not in a while. Shots seemed vn up, whether it was a d shot selection. Head he Utah Starzz, Denise d,"We didn't come in e were not ready to play ."

e Starzz came out strong nd half, there was not me to catch up to the he second half the defense up," as was the intensity,

blem the Starzz suffered g their free-throws. The shot 62.5%, making 15 of gh this is above the 50% s not sufficient to stop the he Cleveland Rockers shot the line, sinking 21 of 29.

Taylor said, that free-throws win the basketball games and that the Starzz just did not get them. Overall, the Rockers shooting percentage, 45%, was much higher than the Starzz 33.3%.

Dena Head, a guard for the Starzz, said, "As a team we played together.

"We didn't come in focused. We were not ready to play the first half."

— Denise Taylor Utah Starzz head coach

We did the things we needed to be doing the entire game (in the second half). Head came in off the bench and shot 50% from the field for 14 points, and 100% from the free-throw line, sinking 5 for 5.

High-scorer of the game, Starzz center, Elena Baranova, made 4 of 8 from downtown. Baranova, who made 7 against the Liberty, said she "decided not to beat her record." Scoring 17 of her 26 points in the second half, Baranova said that she began shooting more in the second half because "coach said we gotta shoot." Not only was she the high-scorer, but Baranova had 9 boards for the Starzz.

Wendy Palmer, a forward for the Starzz, said, "Defense is the key." Though a bit lax on their defense the first half, the Starzz fought hard defensively during the second half. Palmer, who scored 18 of the Starzz 66 points and 7 rebounds, said that as a team they really have to know what they need to do.

Deborah Carter, a Starzz forward, was put on the injured list, because of a left knee injury. Greta Koss, a forward from Montana and developmental player was activated for the game.

The Cleveland Rockers' Rushia Brown had 17 points, while her teammate, Isabelle Fijalkowski, had 15 and 10 rebounds. Cleveland will take on the Phoenix Mercury July 28, at 5:30 p.m. on ESPN.

The Utah Starzz next game will be July 30 against the Los Angeles Sparks. They will return to the Delta Center on August 2, to take on the Houston Comets at 8 p.m.

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Dr. Renata Tonks Forste
BYU Professor of Sociology

Dr. Renata Tonks Forste earned bachelor's and master's degrees in sociology at BYU. She received the Child Health and Human Development National Research Service Award while earning her PhD at the University of Chicago. Her doctoral studies centered on sociology with an emphasis in demography and statistics.

Professor Forste was a member of the sociology faculty at the University of Washington for three years before joining the BYU faculty in 1995. Recently returned from a trip to South America, her research focuses on family interaction and child health in Latin America. She and a team of faculty members are currently preparing to collect data on family well-being in Colombia and Bolivia. In addition, her research has examined characteristics that influence family formation and partner commitment in the U.S.

Sister Forste served a mission to the Argentina Buenos Aires South Mission. She has also served in the Relief Society and Primary and taught early morning seminary for three years. Currently, she serves as her ward's Young Women president. She and her husband, Michael, have three daughters.

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DENISE PALMER
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Julie Jarman, from Fullerton, Calif., and a member of the Mormon Youth Chorus, said she knew only about her own part until this week.

"Before Tuesday we hardly knew anything. The songs we sang were recorded a month ago, so we knew that. But we had no idea what else was going on. Even tonight there was more fireworks than they had at our dress rehearsal," she said.

Jarman said she was excited to see the thousands of missionaries march into the stadium.

"They weren't here yesterday. The whole choir stood up and started clapping. We just stayed standing. Wasn't that neat?" she said.

Participants in the Spectacular felt blessed for their opportunity to be involved in something so big.

"It's wonderful. I feel it's a great honor. I really enjoy that they're presenting the wonderful pioneers because they mean so much to me and I have pioneer ancestors," Anderson said.

"But I also think it's great to represent the modern pioneers and the people from all over the world that sacrifice so much for the gospel. I think it's really good — it represents those in the past, those in the present, and those in the future," she said.

"It was awesome, incredible. Even during the practices yesterday the spirit was really strong. It was amazing. We do a lot of performances on our own, but just to be a part of this is a lot different. There's a lot more feeling behind it because of our pioneer heritage," she said.

Neal said his part as a stripling warrior is minor, but he doesn't think any of the participants play a small part.

"It makes me feel good. I know this is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. I know that I have an opportunity, just by the small part that I'm playing, to reach millions of people," he said.

Early LDS lifestyle at village

American Indian, pioneer festivities entertain crowds

By LAURA PERRETT
Universe Staff Writer

Crowds thronged the Pioneer Rendezvous Thursday and wandered through different exhibits, despite the hot sun.

"It's been really hot, but really fun," said April Whiting, a volunteer who welcomed handcarts into the Salt Lake Valley.

Visitors could pull or ride in a handcart through sand, rocks and water.

Brian Averett, a 12 year old from Mapleton, said pulling the handcart was hard and sweaty.

The long line did not deter many people from participating.

Brian's mother, Joan Averett, said, "We waited 20 minutes, but the line moved fast. It was well worth it."

Volunteers dressed in pioneer clothing welcomed the handcarts. Whiting said, "Some of them really do look tired. Some have run into the valley."

Adjacent to the handcarts was the Pioneer Camp. It attracted large groups who could look inside the log cabins.

Volunteer pioneers could be seen weaving baskets, making pottery and spinning wool and cotton.

Suzanne Smith, a volunteer from Pleasant Grove who took lessons to learn to weave baskets, said about weaving her baskets, "We put (the reed) in water so it's more pliable. It breaks when it's dry."

Completed colored baskets dyed with Rit hung from the ceiling.

Near Smith, a blacksmith burned wood and coals as he pumped air into the forge.

He hammered his metal on the anvil while interested people watched.

Other sites in the village included a chicken coop and grainery.

Nearby, Rick Lindgren, a senior at Provo High School, whittled a mountain man.

"I've done it a couple times before," Lindgren said.

Lindgren showed onlookers how pioneer boys may have spent their free time.

Leaving the village and covered wagons, visitors came to the American Indian Village.

Lynette Allen, of Orem, attracted crowds as she sat outside her tepee and stripped bark off a wooden pole. Visitors listened as she explained how a pole was made.

"The best thing to do is cut it, strip it, put it in a creed bed and let the water run over it (to treat it). I need 17 poles and a couple of spares (for one tepee)."

Allen pointed to the canvas tepee she had made. "I sewed it on my Bernina (sewing machine)."

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> *— Cara Russon, a tourist from Colorado*

Farther into the village, American Indian dancers performed the grass dance, a true war dance and the hoop dance in a ceremony.

Chris Clark, of Spanish Fork, said, "We stayed to watch because my husband served a mission in Rapid City, S.D. (on an Indian reservation). He recorded (the dances) while on his mission."

Clark had watched his videos and wanted her son, Rich, to see the dancers live.

Rich said, "I liked the war dance."

Across the field, friends and families waited near the Family Photo Corner to get their picture taken beside a covered wagon.

Four cousins put on pioneer clothing while waiting to get their picture taken.

Cara Russon, a cousin from Colorado, said, "I think it's great that they organized this. It brought us together."

Many people were brought closer together inside the Frontier Town as they browsed BYU merchandise. Candy, candles, books, posters, bags, dolls and videos were among the items sold.

Edible items sold for the visitors to sample were sundaes, fruit, freezes, cheese curd and salt water taffy.

Under the blue tent in the middle of the field, visitors could also buy sourdough bread and cookies.

Kristine Lines, a senior from Layton, majoring in math education, said, "(The bread) is great with the Sarsaparilla (root beer)."

Lines' mother, Carolyn Alkema, also liked the bread. Alkema said, "This is like a whole meal."

Overall, visitors enjoyed the Pioneer Rendezvous. Neola Miles, from Lindon, said, "I think it's a really neat thing to do."

Jamie Hughes, a 17 year old from Green River, Wyo., said, "It was neat how they did everything."

For some, the crowds were bothersome. Miles said, "The crowd is a bit intense. It's too bad there's so many people."

Databases aid in search for pioneer ancestry

Y program debuts at Rendezvous

By ERIK R. RASMUSSEN
Universe Sports Writer

In connection with the Pioneer Rendezvous held at Deseret Towers' Field Thursday and Friday, a bank of 75 computers was set up to chart visitor's genealogy and possible connections with nineteenth century pioneers.

The service was set up in the Harmon Building and attracted thousands of people over the two days.

"We wanted to find out what they could give us on our pioneer ancestry," said Marie Earl of American Fork who attended with her husband and five children. "We know some of our genealogy, but we wanted to learn more."

Visitors were directed into one of two large meeting rooms in the Harmon Building where volunteers, some dressed in pioneer attire, handed out clipboards and paper with blank family trees. While everyone was being seated, visitors filled in their names, the names of their parents and grandparents.

After all were seated, the multimedia presentation, CD ROM "Faith in Every Footstep," was projected onto a screen at the front of the room. The presentation which included pioneer era photos and music played while visitors finished their abbreviated family trees.

The sheets were collected and taken to computer banks where volunteers searched Ancestral File and other databases for information on the visitors and their families. Programs written for this event then gathered significant dates and other raw data and organized it into sentences and paragraphs. A database of photos, including the work of noted pioneer era photographer George Anderson, was then searched for a photo of an ancestor found to be printed with the other information.

After the CD-ROM presentation, visitors could pick up their printouts and have a detailed history of their ancestors in biography form.

"People can get a pretty specific history," said Clark Christensen, a senior from Provo, majoring in computer science. Christensen was one of the programmers working on the project.

"The church gave us permission to use ocean-crossing and plain-crossing indexes. These are two of the best because they tell if you have an actual pioneer ancestor, which company they came with, if they were with Brigham Young or some other apostle, what ship they came on or even the port of the ship."

How the programming works was further explained by Kenric White, a senior from Salt Lake City majoring in computer science and a programmer on the project.

"The program takes someone's name and looks for an Ancestral File link seven generations back to the pioneer era. It searches for those people with the profile of a pioneer: if they were born outside of Utah and died in Utah. It then crosses that with indexes of those crossing the plains or the ocean, photo indexes, historical and diary indexes. It then picks the most promising information and prints it out for the people."

The two databases mentioned by Christensen were on loan from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints only for the Thursday and Friday of the Pioneer Rendezvous. But organizers see future uses for the databases using the programming done for this project, perhaps for visitors to the Joseph Smith Memorial Building in Salt Lake City interested in detailed, biography-like genealogy.

"There are possibilities, and we've shown that the technology exists," said Bill Barrett, chair of the Computer Science Department who has helped organize the event. "We'll allow the decision makers to decide if there's more to do with it."

This project is unique because of the number of databases information is drawn from, the way it is placed into readable material as opposed to just dates as most databases yield, and how much has been accomplished by so few people and few resources in so short a time.

No funds for the project were given from the university or from the church, Barrett said. All money for the project came from grants and private industry donations. The core of programmers working on the project varied between three and seven undergraduates, depending on when each had finals.

"Our team has done a wonderful job, and it's been a pretty tall order for three or four months," Barrett said. "People sort of snickered when they heard what we planned to do, but these kids don't know what they can't accomplish. They've done what 10 or 20 programmers would take a year to do."

The computers used for the project were those that nobody else on campus wanted and the entire operation had to be cleared out for a soccer camp that began Monday.

Evan Ivie, Computer Science professor and Bishop of the Edgemont 13th Ward, has spearheaded the project. Barrett told of Ivie spending all-nighters on the project at times, and Ivie joked with friends Thursday that he was wearing his same suit from Sunday because he had not had time to change.

"What we tried to do is help people have a more personal feel for their ancestors, to understand the trials and tribulations of their ancestors," Ivie said.

"Our goal has been to turn people's hearts to their fathers; cold facts don't do that like personal histories and photos."

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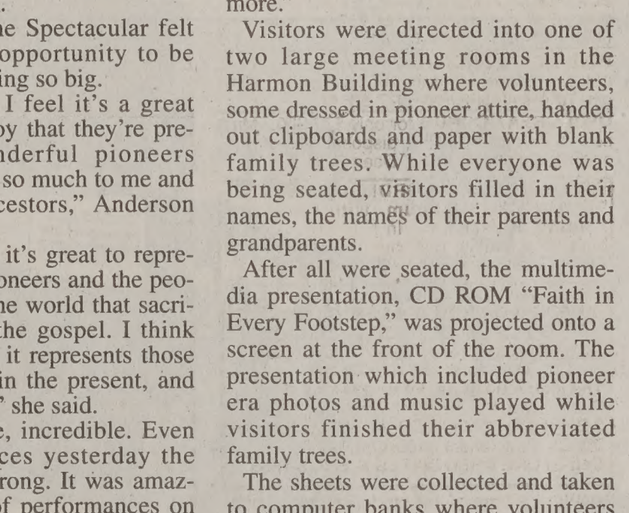

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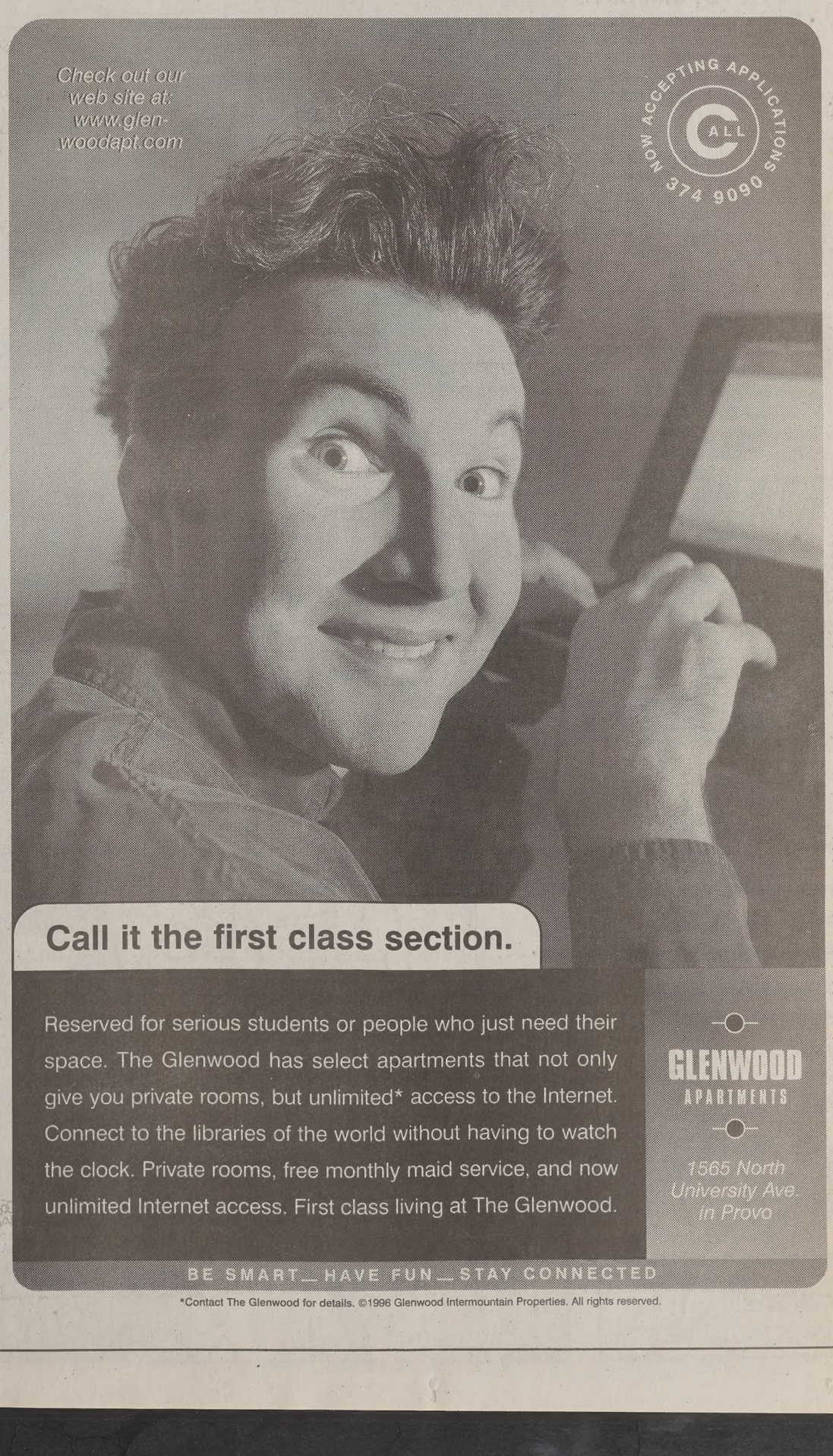
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Concealed gun permits continuing to rise in Utah

New law doesn't require reasons for needing a gun

By DEREK FAY
Universe Staff Writer

Illustration by Aaron Taylor

In today's less-than-friendly society, most people try to protect themselves any way they can. For Paula Murdoch, a 40-year-old single mother from Lindon, protection comes in the form of a .357-caliber Magnum revolver.

"It makes me feel a little bit safer, just because I have a means to protect myself," Murdoch said.

In the last two years, the Utah Department of Public Safety has issued more than 15,000 concealed firearm permits, which allow people to legally carry a concealed handgun. In May 1995 there were around 1,400 people in the state that had permits. Today there are more than 17,000 state-wide said Todd Peterson, the Firearms Section Supervisor at the Utah Bureau of Criminal Investigations.

Murdoch, who said she takes her handgun wherever she goes, including the grocery store, is one of over 2,300 people in Utah County who have concealed firearm permits.

Peterson said the large increase in permits in the last two years is mainly due to state legislation passed in May 1995, changing the criteria for receiving a concealed firearm permit. Prior to the legislation, a person applying for a permit had to show a reason for needing to carry a handgun.

Now, a person may apply for and receive a permit without stating why he or she wants one.

Some people who apply for permits have a background in gun handling, others have no experience with guns at all, Peterson said.

However, applicants must pass an extensive background and fingerprint check through the Bureau of Criminal Investigations. The application also requires a person to complete a firearms familiarity and safety course taught by a state-approved instructor, and provide two letters of character reference.

Anti-gun violence groups worry about the impact of allowing gun permits in society.

"What I disagree with is the notion that guns make us safer," said Robin Terry, spokesperson for Handgun Control, Inc., a gun-control lobbying organization based in Washington D.C.

"The problem with the background check is they can screen for criminal records but they can't screen for bad tempers. All of us can think of somebody we know who has a terrible temper and shouldn't have a gun at arm's length at all times, but doesn't have a criminal record," Terry said.

Others believe gun permits are a legitimate way to protect yourself and your family.

"The people (seeking permits) are average citizens on the street who are concerned about their safety in today's world. They are not people who are going to be carrying guns all the time, but if they have the option, they can," said Sgt. Lee Upchurch, of the Provo Police Department.

Upchurch said he has taught gun-safety classes to more than 500 people desiring permits.

"A lot of people have told me if they go out for a ride with their wives up in the canyons, or go camping with the family, or just feel the need, they want to have that option. The option to protect themselves and their families," Upchurch said.

Upchurch said his class teaches everything from gun safety to the legal ramifications of drawing your firearm.

"I wish everybody who has a firearm could go to the class because it makes a responsible person out of a gun owner," Upchurch said.

Murdoch took a gun-safety course, and said she gained respect for the power of her weapon and its ability to take a life. She also said she takes special measures to teach her children how to be safe around a handgun.

"Before I went through the course I thought if anybody makes me mad, I'll just pull out my gun. After the course you are more leery about pulling your weapon out ... death is not just something you want to inflict on anybody, including the bad people," Murdoch said.

Murdoch said she feels having a gun will help her if she encounters a situation in which she needs to protect her life, or the lives of other people.

"I'm small, so I couldn't fight anybody off," Murdoch said.

Many people apply for concealed firearm permits simply because the permits protect them legally and make transporting their guns more convenient.

Scott Elsmore, 24, said he applied for a permit because he wanted the convenience of being able to legally take his firearms where he wants.

"What if you don't have a permit, but you want to drive to the gun range with a gun in your car? A lot of people just get (permits) because it's more convenient than getting pulled over and thinking, oh no what do I do, I've got a loaded gun in my car," Elsmore said.

Peterson said he had talked to a lot of people who want to have a permit so they can carry guns while traveling or hunting.

Utah concealed firearm permits last for two years.

A person carrying a permit may take a firearm everywhere except federal property, such as a courthouse or an airport.

As of June 30, 1997 there were 17,503 concealed firearm permits in Utah. The Wasatch front accounted for 13,161 of them.

Girl in critical condition from driveway acci

Universe Services

A 7-year-old girl is in critical condition after a vehicle backed over her in the driveway where she was lying down to dry off after swimming Saturday.

Heaven Covington, was transported by Life Flight to Primary Children's Hospital after Richard Cunningham, 39, from Provo inadvertently backed over her while she was lying in the driveway to get warm.

Cunningham, an acquaintance of Covington's mother, came out to move his vehicle and didn't see the girl.

"He had not seen her lie down, and moved his vehicle forward. In so doing he ran right over the top of her," said Lt. Greg Duvall, of Police Department.

Covington suffered seve the worst of which were injuries, Duvall said.

Covington had been pl wading pool in the yard dence at 1000 N. Gen around 3:20 p.m.

New help available to manage loans

By DEREK FAY
Universe Staff Writer

The BYU Financial Aid Office has designed a program to help students finance their education so they don't drown in debt upon finishing college, said Paul Conrad, the office's assistant director.

Conrad said student loans are increasingly easier to get, while grants and scholarships are harder to qualify for. Unfortunately, some students don't plan for the financial burden of paying back student loans, which can make living their dreams become a nightmare when they graduate.

"This is one of the biggest financial mountains you're ever going to climb, but people show up without any climbing gear; ... they show up without any preparation," Conrad said.

"Creating a Financial Path to Graduation" is a program designed to help students understand how to intelligently finance their education by taking them through their options.

"I think we're seeing a niche here that nobody is really addressing," Conrad said.

The program will be fully implemented this year by being distributed to high school juniors and seniors. However, Conrad said he is already introducing the program to students who come through his office.

The first step of the plan is to create an academic map, which allows students to see how quickly they can graduate.

Other steps include estimating a student's costs and resources and deciding how to compensate for the difference between the two.

The final steps include establishing a reasonable debt-limit and identifying the cost of borrowing.

"The problem with student loans is there isn't a lot of coordination between career choice and loan amounts," Conrad said. "If you want to do piano performance or want to be a humanities major, that's fantastic — there is a lot of important scholarship in those areas. However, you simply shouldn't be somebody who is $50,000 in debt if you're a humanities major."

Amanda and Tahari Julander are two students who have already borrowed nearly $10,000 in student loans.

They said although they don't wish to borrow more, they are optimistic about their ability to pay off their loans.

"It's an investment," Amanda said.

Taking out student loans is not a bad thing and is often necessary to complete a college education, Conrad said. It can be financially dangerous, however, if not studied closely.

An undergraduate can borrow up to $23,000 in subsidized student loans and up to $23,000 in unsubsidized student loans, which can create problems for some students.

"There's always the possibility that someone is going to think; 'They must think I can handle this much or they wouldn't let me borrow it,'" Conrad said.

The average debt for students with loans at BYU is about $10,000 for an undergraduate degree, although some students manage to complete college debt-free, Conrad said.

The average student debt for a post-graduate degree at BYU is around $18,000.

"Not everybody has this kind of debt right now, but those are the averages," Conrad said.

He said the numbers shouldn't scare people away from college because it's not necessary to get into that kind of debt if all the student's options are exercised properly.

Khmer Ro leader tea at show tri

Associated Press

PHNOM PENH, Camb The Khmer Rouge leade reign of terror left nearly lion Cambodians dead sat nearly in tears while his comrades denounced him "show trial," the first journalist to see Pol P years said Monday.

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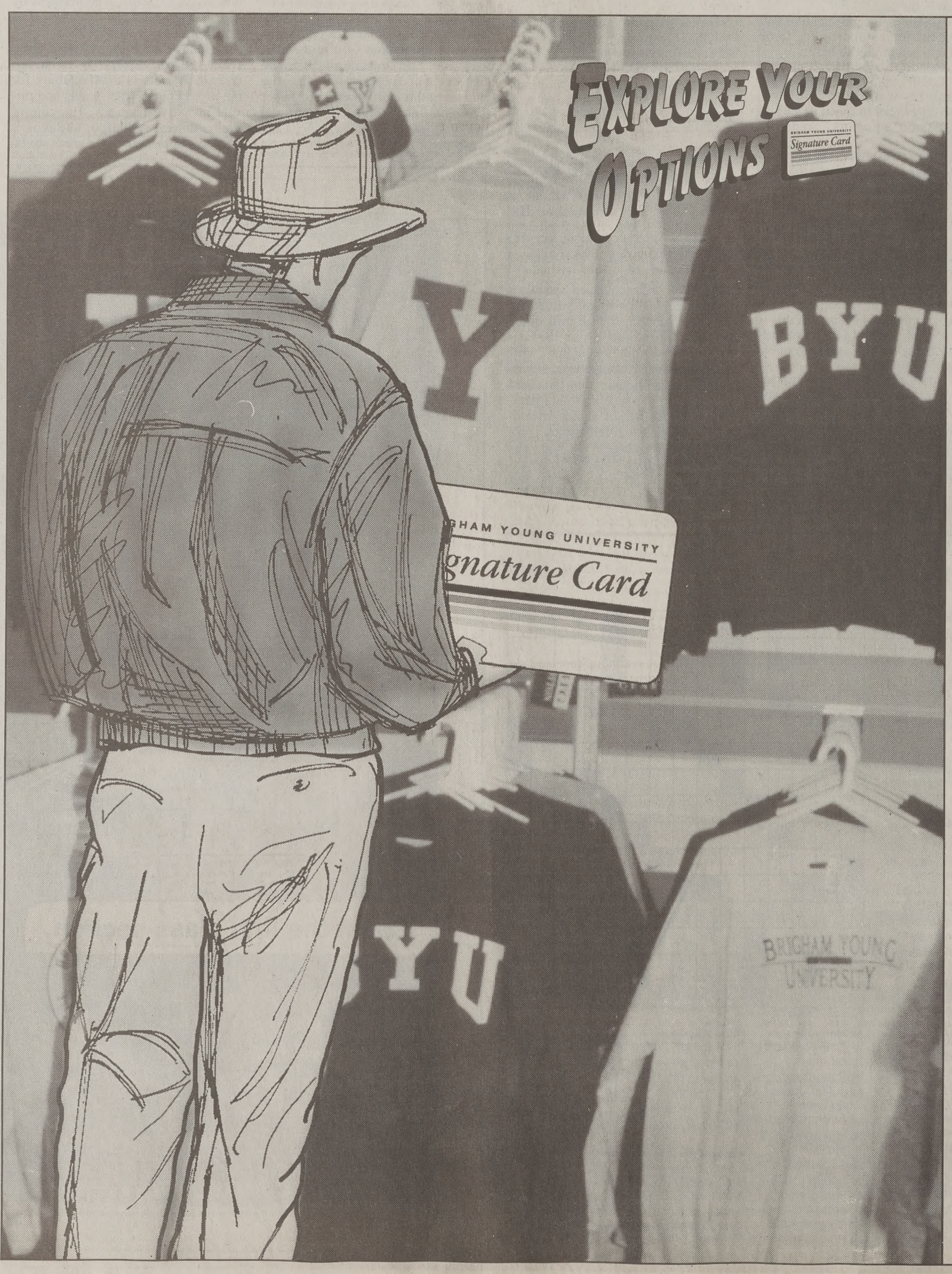

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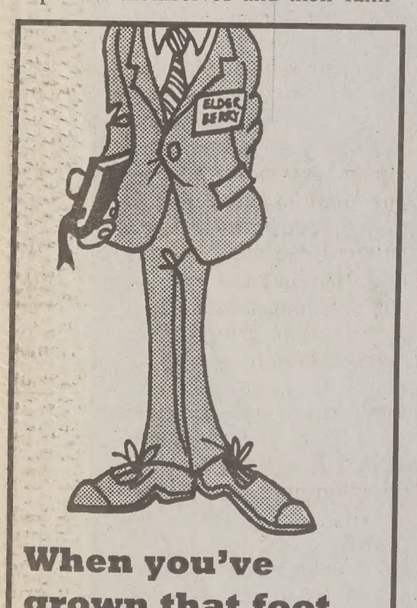

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